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1. An attempt is underway to reorganize the Democratic League, now a coalition of several parties, so as to put the membership on an individual basis*. The purpose of the Democratic League in Shanghai now seems to be to contact and win over middle class groups.
2. Members of the Democratic League in Shanghai also try to placate foreign officials by reporting that the Communists are not as anti-foreign as they seem.
3. LO Lung-chi** and CHANG Lan***, until recently important members of the Democratic League, went from Shanghai to Peiping on 18 June 1949. They will probably not return to Shanghai, because they are too old. LO has tuberculosis and CHANG, at least, has lost his influence in the League.
4. LO has held conferences with MAO Tse-tung in which LO stressed the desirability of the Communists adopting a mild attitude toward the U.S. MAO is reported to be adamant in insisting on a strong anti-American attitude as long as the U.S. continues to support CHIANG and remains on Taiwan.

Presumably rather than on other party affiliation.

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